

February 22, 2012

Ex Parte Notice

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Lifeline and Linkup Reform and Modernization, WC Docket No. 11-42

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, February 21, 2012, the undersigned and Steven L. Fravel, Emerging Technologies Manager, on behalf of the National Telecommunications Cooperative Association (“NTCA”), met with Carol Matthey, Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Garnet Hanly, Attorney Advisor, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, and Kimberly Scardino, Deputy Division Chief, Telecommunications Access Policy Division to discuss the Commission’s proposed Broadband Adoption Pilot Program.

Topics discussed include the timeline of the program, the criteria the Commission will use in selecting successful applications, NTCA’s role in helping their member companies prepare their applications, and the Commission’s expectations of program participants, specifically their role in workshops that will be held both as the program is in progress and again once the initial 12 month period has concluded.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules, a copy of this letter is being filed via ECFS with your office.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (703) 351-2019 or rschadelbauer@ntca.org.

Sincerely,

/s/ Richard J. Schadelbauer
Richard J. Schadelbauer
Economist

cc: Carol Matthey
Garnet Hanly
Kimberly Scardino